

LOCALS IN A BRIEF FORM

Easter at the Various Churches

EDITORS GO ON A VACATION

Sequoia Students Graduate From Stanford University

The Baptist church of Redwood City will celebrate 40 years of church life next Sunday at the usual hour of services—3:30. Pastors of the local churches will make short addresses. Rev. H. W. Davis of Palo Alto and Prof. O. M. Johnston of Stanford will sing several solos. The pastor of the church, C. A. Parker, will give a brief historical survey of the past 40 years, and a word from some of the old members is expected. The public are cordially invited.

A copy of The Flame, the school paper of the Fruitvale High School, was sent to this office this week. The paper contains a fine half tone of the principal, Mr. F. S. Rosseter, and also the pictures of his ten assistant teachers. The fine new \$150,000 building which was recently dedicated is shown and there are also several short stories by the pupils of the school.

A number of members of the local lodge of Masons went to South City last Friday night to see an initiation and partake of a banquet which the members had prepared for their visitors.

Miss Eva Gilbert who has been very ill at the home of her mother is reported as greatly improved.

Mrs. C. C. Kirtland and her three children will leave next month on a trip to her old home in Nebraska where she will spend a few months visiting her parents.

On Monday morning the sheriff's office received a call to come to the six mile house on the bay shore road with the coroner. Deputy Frank Bartlett responded but on arriving at the place found everything as peaceful as a spring lamb. He made numerous inquiries but could find no cause for such a call.

The Redwood City Literary and Debating Society will have its regular meeting next Monday evening at the grammar school.

James V. Swift of the Democrat and D. E. O'Keefe and wife are in Southern California with the California Press Association which is now enjoying its annual outing.

Orlando Shaw was here from Oakland Sunday visiting his aunt, Mrs. George H. Rice.

Mrs. Sara T. Fox and her daughter, Miss Bee, have returned from San Francisco where they have been residing for the past three years and will make their home here. Mr. and Mrs. Otzen will also return and spend a few months here.

The special feature of the Easter Service at the Congregational Church last Sunday was choir of thirty voices which was specially prepared for the service by the choir-leader O. M. Carrington.

Mrs. S. J. Coffin and her daughter, Mrs. Charles Carter, who have been spending the winter in Southern California spent a few days this week with Mrs. Murch while enroute to their home in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Lila Kirkpatrick left for Niles Wednesday to spend a few days with her friend Mrs. Tyson.

Mrs. M. Montoya who has been spending the past five weeks with her cousin Charles Jacobus left on Thursday for her home in New York. Mrs. Montoya formerly resided here and delights to spend her vacations in this section.

Mrs. C. Murch and Mrs. George H. Rice left on Thursday for Santa Barbara where they will spend a few weeks as the guest of their old friend Mrs. Finger.

Lewis H. Britton spent last Friday and Saturday here visiting friends. Mr. Britton has been in the Philippines Islands for the past two and one half years as a First Lieutenant of Constabulary and on resigning from the service returned home by way of Europe visiting the principal places of interest while enroute.

The people enjoyed a rare treat at the Alhambra last Monday evening. Richard Jose the sweet singer rendered a few of the old time ballads in a marvellously sweet manner. The show, with which he appeared, was good and was played to an extra large and appreciative audience.

Mr. A. L. Fulton was here from Poland last Sunday visiting friends.

Miss Gertrude Beeger is in Los Gatos visiting her friend, Mrs. Ramsey. On Sunday, Miss Beeger sang the Resurrection at the Easter Service of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Los Gatos, of which Mr. Ramsey is pastor.

Oscar Smith was in town this week from San Francisco on a business trip. Mr. Smith is the son of Ralph Smith at one time editor of the Times Gazette and who was murdered while occupying that position.

Mrs. Morris Cooper was in town this week to see to some of the details connected with the building of her new home here. As soon as the house is completed the family will move from Alameda where they have been residing for the past year.

Among those who will be graduated from Stanford University next

month are the following students who are graduates of Sequoia: Miss Mildred Halsey from the department of German, Miss Harriet Pugh from the History department, Gerald Halsey from the Law department, Miss Alice Roedel of San Mateo will also be a graduate from the Latin department.

Mr. Byrd is building a neat bungalow on his property on Roosevelt Avenue.

Miss Doris Pugh came home Friday from the Alpine district where she is teaching school and remained until Sunday visiting her mother.

Auction prices on furniture for thirty days. We have got to do business, regardless of cost. C. H. Woodhams, Redwood City.

A number of local business men are contemplating the purchase of a large tract of land near Turlock which they intend to subdivide into twenty acre tracts which they will sell on remarkably easy terms.

The young men of Woodside will give a grand ball in Independence hall on May 2. Good San Francisco music has been secured and the supper will be served at Dougherty's hotel. A first class time is assured.

Sequoia High and San Mateo High crossed bats on the local diamond Wednesday afternoon in one of the closest and best contested games of the season. At the end of the 9th inning the score stood 1 to 1. Owing to the fact that the visitors had to catch the 6:10 train an extra inning could not be played so the teams had to be satisfied with a tie score.

The following residents of this city sprouted antlers with their brother Elks at the institution of the new lodge at San Mateo Tuesday night: Guy P. Hull, James V. Newman, Carl Beeger, Joseph H. Nash, John W. Poole and L. H. Newbert.

W. A. Usher, head of the Salada Beach Company was a local visitor Thursday.

You will buy when you get goods at our auction price. C. H. Woodhams, Redwood City.

Mrs. A. Rogers and her young son, Tom, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mansfield this week.

Troops H. I. and M. of the Fourteenth Cavalry, U. S. A., passed through here Friday en route from the Presidio, San Francisco, to the Yosemite, where they will do guard duty for the summer.

E. P. Helse, the grocer has purchased a neat Studebaker wagon which he will use to deliver his goods.

The home of Berthold Werder was gladened Friday by the advent of a baby boy.

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Among the visitors at the meeting of the Board of Supervisors Monday were W. J. Martin, Judge Cunningham, Editor Woodman and Harry E. Styles of South City who are very anxious for the incorporation of their city. They are meeting with strong opposition from the people of San Bruno as the proposed boundaries of the incorporation would cut a large slice of territory from the San Bruno Park School District.

E. F. Fitzpatrick and Mr. F. H. Thorpe spoke for the San Bruno people who were represented at the board by A. J. Jenevein, A. L. Lo-Reaux, John Kirk, Joseph Huff and several others of the influential citizens of that thriving community. San Bruno has now grown to be a burg of some 1800 inhabitants and intends to make itself heard in all matters pertaining to its welfare.

Fire insurance may cover a part of the material loss but it cannot reimburse for consequent contingent loss which we have asserted is shared by all. In view of these facts it behooves us to use our best efforts to prevent, so far as possible, or in any event minimize, the loss by fire. The principal factor in quenching of fire is a supply of water, therefore we are deeply interested in all that pertains to that particular matter. The larger the supply, and the greater the pressure, the more efficient and successful will be the efforts of the firemen.

I shall direct my remarks to the consideration of our local water system and the possibility of its improvement and in doing so shall ask your indulgence while I rehearse a little history in order to give the members of the new Board of Town Trustees present the benefit of some of the experiences of former Boards.

Early in the year 1903 the town was operating its own pumping plant on Phelps street, the supply was inadequate, the machinery out of date, while the expenses of operation was abnormally large and in excess of the receipts. This being the case the Trustees realized the necessity of action appointed a committee to look into the matter of a further supply with a request that they examine all available sources. Mr. P. P. Chamberlain, Mr. A. D. Walsh and myself were upon that committee.

This committee inquired into the feasibility of a supply from Corte Madera Creek, and found the cost of land would be \$10,000, the pipe line \$80,000 and a storage reservoir at least \$30,000, a total of \$120,000 with a question as to riparian rights of other parties interested in the supply. This was deemed beyond the ability of the Town.

The Squalor Gulch and West Union Creek proposition was examined with nearly the same result, the cost of the pipe line being less by reason of the shorter distance.

The Bear Gulch Water Company was appealed to. Its answer was that it did not have the water to spare, that the consumption was constantly increasing and that in any event the Town would be required to contract to take an amount and pay a price therefore sufficient to pay the interest upon the cost of the necessary enlargement of

its plant which it would take two years time to complete. This would amount to at least 15c p. m. g. and more, probable 20c.

This town could not wait for even if the price were considered favorable. The managers of the Spring Valley Water Company were then interviewed and Mr. Schussler went over the matter with the committee very thoroughly, courteously spending a whole day with it. Mr. Schussler figured that the Spring Valley would have to build a reservoir on the hill back of its Belmont pumping station into which they would pump, and the Town would have to connect by laying about three miles of 8-inch pipe along the County road and erect a stand pipe in town equaling the height of the reservoir.

This would entail an outlay of at least \$25,000 which the Town could not afford at the time, besides the cost of the water delivered into the reservoir would be 20c p. m. g.

The committee reported to the Board of Trustees these findings, and it seemed that the town was really "up against it" and the matter became quite serious, when eight public spirited business men of the town met to consider the matter, the outcome of which was the establishment of the present system of supply operated by the Redwood City Water Company. This company is under contract with the Town to supply 600 gallons per minute if required, pumping into the City mains.

The Company has over \$20,000 now invested and anticipate a further outlay of possibly \$5000 in fully completing the plant.

This plant is now delivering, when the pumps are in operation, 575 gallons per minute and when all of the wells are connected with the system, will be capable of delivering 750 gallons per minute, 45,000 gallons per hour, or 1,080,000 gallons per day.

So much for the supply. Now let us look at the storage question. The town now has three old wooden tanks, upon wooden frames, with a capacity of 45,000 gallons each, a total of 135,000 gallons, the average fire tank elevation being 70 feet and the capacity less than 50,000 gallons, which gives a nozzle pressure of twenty pounds at the end of one line of 300 feet of 2½-inch hose (the length generally used and with a one inch nozzle) throwing a stream vertically about 30 feet, and horizontally only 50 feet, using 125 gallons per minute. If two or three lines of hose were in use the pressure would be materially lessened, because all the water would be from one source, Phelps street, and the mains are but 8-inch in diameter.

The former Board of Trustees had in view the erection of three steel tanks at an elevation of 100 feet with a capacity of 100,000 gallons each, situated in different parts of the town.

If this were done and all the pipe lines cross connected, as they should be, it would give a fire pressure of 43 pounds and in the business section of town would supply three lines of hose throwing inch streams 80 feet high or 100 feet horizontally because the water would flow from all directions to the hydrants and continue that supply, without further pumping, for the space of six hours, or with pumps running continue for 3½ days, a situation most devoutly wished for, and which would probably bring about a reduction in insurance rates.

I believe that the cost of the proposed steel tanks was estimated at \$5000 each, a total of \$15,000 to be raised by bond issue.

SIXTH ANNUAL BANQUET

Board of Trade Holds High-Jinks

GEO. LOVIE PRINCIPAL SPEAKER

Holmquist, Beeger, Brown and Merrill Also Make Interesting Talks

The sixth annual banquet of the Merchants Board of Trade was held in Odd Fellows Hall Thursday evening and was one of the most successful events in the history of the organization. Over sixty members and guests were present and the feeling of good fellowship that prevailed was strong evidence that our citizens are ready to work together for the advancement of the town. The prevailing sentiment of the evening was that all differences arising out of the late municipal election should be forgotten and that a united effort should be made to make Redwood City one of the most progressive cities in this section of the state.

The meeting was called to order by Guy Hull, who acted as toastmaster of the evening. Mr. Hull in a few appropriate remarks reviewed the purposes of the Board of Trade and extended a welcome to the guests of the evening.

H. E. Holmquist was the first speaker called upon and responded to the sentiment "Civic Pride." He pointed out that what Redwood needs from its citizens are enthusiasm, loyalty and a united effort on behalf of the town, and that if these things were borne in mind our city would take its place in the front rank of progressive communities.

Professor Merrill, chairman of the new board of town trustees, was introduced and given a warm welcome. Mr. Merrill outlined the policy of the new board and stated that it would be his aim to work for a modification of the gas and light rates and for the development of Redwood City as a shipping center.

Mr. Beeger and Mr. Brown, the two other trustees elected at the recent election, pledged themselves to work for the best interests of the town. Mr. Hynding, the other trustee present, expressed his belief in the future of Redwood City and pledged himself to use his best ability in the interests of the town.

Geo. W. Lovie was then introduced and dwelt at length upon the water situation. Mr. Lovie's speech it full was as follows:

The Board of Trade is composed of gentlemen representing most lines of business and directly interested in everything pertaining to the city. It is interested in the laborer, the mechanic, the manufacturer, as well as the business man and capitalist. The success of each adds to the prosperity of all. A direct loss to one is a corresponding loss to the community.

If a laborer lose his home by fire the loss is felt by business men with whom he deals. If a business house is destroyed the avenues of trade are disturbed, and we all feel more or less the depressing influence thereof.

If it be a factory, then the people are thrown out of employment, the large payroll is stopped and it becomes almost a calamity.

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Yosemite Club of San Francisco here tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. A good game is expected, as the City team is of good standing and are first class ball players.

The Redwood (first) team will hook up with the O'Connor-Moffitt team of San Francisco in the afternoon, and an easy victory is anticipated by the local team.

Menlo Park

C. M. Cross has taken the Kell place for the summer. Mr. Cross is a business associate of H. D. Kell.

Dr. Watkins has leased the golf links cottage at Fair Oaks. He is a son of Mrs. A. Watkins who resided at Fair Oaks some years ago, owning what is now known as Watlington Park. The Doctor left here in 1889 and has since gained eminence in his profession in San Francisco.

Joseph Cull, while engaged in painting at the residence of C. W. Smith last Friday fell from a ladder and sustained painful injuries. He fell a distance of 26 feet and had not the fall been broken by protecting limbs he would have been fatally injured. However, he had three small bones of the right foot broken and he will be laid up for some weeks. Dr. Hall of Palo Alto is attending him. Mr. Cull is one of the popular young men of the town and has the sympathy of everyone in his misfortune.

Rev. Kingsley Blodgett on last Friday night gave an illustrated lecture on the life of Christ from his birth to the Crucifixion. The illustrating was done by Shirley B. Ryan from Alhambra. The church was crowded to the doors to hear the interesting and instructive lecture.

Postmaster Dobbel gave a barbecue to his postoffice force yesterday at the fine grove in Portola valley. The occasion was thoroughly enjoyed and there was an abundance of good things to eat.

C. W. Toothaker of Ravenswood has just returned from his orange ranch at Lindsay, where he has been for six weeks. He brought with him some fine Valencia oranges. Captain Toothaker has forty-one acres in oranges there, of which six acres are in bearing. He planted five acres during his present trip and purchased twenty acres more of land which he will plant.

Peter Severkrup and his wife are in Fresno this week. Mr. Severkrup has in view the purchase of orange land in that section.

Henry Nickel, the second son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Le Roy Nickel, has sailed for Panama, where he will be kept for several months on business.

San Mateo

The new Board of Town Trustees met on Monday night and organized by electing Trustee Powers chairman. The new Mayor has been on the Board for some time and will fill his position with dignity and honor.

The San Mateo Congregational Church has been celebrating its fortieth anniversary this week. Special services were held on Tuesday and Wednesday and speakers of prominence addressed the congregation.

Boer Unholz who will fight Joe Gans next month in San Francisco is living at the Union Hotel with his trainer, Joe Thomas, and is training at the San Mateo Athletic Club. On Sunday while on an auto trip with J. A. Trewbridge he had a narrow escape from serious injury as the brake of the auto refused to work a while on a steep grade and had to be run into the bank to be stopped.

San Mateo made merry last Tuesday night at the Institution of the new edge of Elks. San Jose sent a delegation of over one hundred and an equally large number came down from San Francisco. The work of institution was in the athletic hall and this was followed by a banquet at the Peninsula. The married men had squared themselves before hand with their wives so did not have to show up before morning.

A new lodge of Masons will be started in Burlingame next month. The charter roll will have about forty names upon it. Fred Lorton has had the matter in hand and the prospects are that the lodge will soon be in flourishing condition.

